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Democratic State Convention.

The Democratic State Central Committee met at Columbus on the 20th inst., and decided upon Tuesday and Wednesday, June 24th and 25th as the time and Columbus as the place for holding the State Convention to nominate a State ticket and choose delegates at large to the Democratic National Convention which meets in Chicago on the 8th of July. In the selection of the State ticket the task cannot be a difficult one. Hon. James W. Newman, the present efficient Secretary of State, has so ably and acceptably discharged the duties of the office as to entitle him to a re-nomination by acclamation. The basis for representation is fixed at one delegate for every 500 votes cast for Governor Hendley and one for every fraction over 250. This will entitle Portage county to 16 delegates, Trumbull 6, Ash-tabula 3, Lake 2, Geauga 2.

McKINLEY has been bounced. Wallace wins his seat by a vote of 153 to 108.

Mr. KENNE stopped when he couldn't pay; Grant and Ward when they couldn't borrow.—[Ex.]

This Penn Bank of Pittsburgh, which suspended the early part of last week, resumed business, and again closed on Monday.

A MASS MEETING was held in Tammany Hall, New York, last Friday night. The mention of Tilden's name was greeted with demonstrations of the most hearty applause.

THERE is a dead-lock between the iron manufacturers and workmen at Pittsburgh, the workmen refusing to accept a reduction. The Morrison tariff bill didn't cause the disturbance.

BEN. BUTLER has formally accepted the nomination of the National Anti-Monopoly organization for President of the United States, made at their convention held in Chicago, May 14th.

THE National Greenback Convention is in session at Indianapolis when we go to press. Ben Butler will probably be their nominee for President. It is a little difficult to find out exactly where slippery Ben stands.

In the coming struggle the Republicans will be likely to lose the valuable services of Stephen W. Dorsey, who managed their campaign in 1880, and did such effective work by distributing those new, crisp two dollar bills among the Hoosiers.

THE French brig SCORPIO, with 55 passengers and 9 crew, sunk to the eastward of Great Britain. All perished. She left St. Malo, France, on the 5th of March, laden with a general cargo, bound to Self Pierre, and succumbed to the gale of the 5th of May.

THE Republican National Convention will assemble at Chicago next Tuesday, and soon the country will be relieved of the anxiety about whom the Republicans will choose as their standard bearer in the coming contest. The choice seems now to lie between Blaine and Arthur, with the latter a neck ahead.

THE Republicans of the 29th District are having a very hot contest over the nomination for Congress. The candidates announced are Major Wm. McKinley, Hon. Geo. W. Crouse, of Akron, and Hon. A. S. McClure, of Wooster. The indications are at present that the "young Napoleon" is in the lead.

THE Copiah county, Miss., jury acquitted Wheeler of the murder of Matthews, on the ground of self-defense. And now the Republican papers will raise another howl upon the subject of Southern outrages. They seem to know more about the subject of a verdict should be rendered than the jury to which the case was tried, and that was sworn to find according to the law and the evidence.

THE New Jersey Democrats put the following sound plank in their platform:

That no government has a right to burden its people with taxes beyond an amount necessary to defray its expenses and gradually extinguish its public debt.

That whenever the revenues from all sources exceed this limitation they should be reduced so as to avoid a surplus in the treasury.

That legislation to secure these results should guard and protect the rights of labor and encourage home productive industries without producing or fostering monopolies.

THE Missouri Republican gives no uncertain sound as to its election preference. It says:

"The old ticket and the old platform with only such changes as changed events have made necessary, will beat every branch in the Democratic party. Who is it that will object to the doctrine proclaimed in 1870 upon which the country was swept? It was a sound declaration on the tariff, and cannot be refused by any Democrat. The path to victory is open and plain."

VIRGINIA Elections. DANVILLE, VA., May 22.—The election passed off without disturbance. The Democratic or white nominees were elected. Captain W. P. Graves beats J. H. Johnston, present incumbent, for Mayor, by 402 votes. Nearly every white vote was polled. About 700 negroes voted the Democratic ticket; 100 did not vote. Governor Cameron came up this morning and remained till afternoon. He said pleasantly that he had received almost as many congratulatory letters about sending troops and had come to see for himself, and was pleased with the quiet and order. Mayor Johnston was hanged in effigy. A torchlight procession paraded to-night.

PETERSBURGH, VA., May 22.—The Republican general ticket was elected. The Republicans carried every ward in the city except one. U. S. Senator Mahone was re-elected.

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"In New York, at another time, Dorsey offered me money. This was in January, 1882. He said if I would sign for \$25,000, I could get it. I told him no. Dorsey told me that he was moved to make the proposition by Brady's anguish. My understanding was that if I should be paid the money I would not testify. The next effort to compromise with me was prior to the trial in the second case against Brady, Dorsey, and others."

Further on Walsh testified: "At an interview between Brady and myself I took with me my notes, with a view of having a settlement. The notes were placed on a table. Brady sat silently. He looked at them, then took them up and handled them nervously. Finally he said: 'Walsh, do you think there is any indebtedness due from me to you? Those transactions were certainly not considered as a loan. It doesn't require a surgical operation to get that through. Judgment by default for \$25,000 with interest at the rate of 8 per cent, and decree of foreclosure of mortgage. David Shillady et al vs Jared McNabb et al—Order for partition made. Edward Bissler vs George Luley et al—Settled."

Lucian A. Wright vs Henry Bartholt—Tried to jury; verdict for defendant. Hall Bro's vs Josiah Kent et al—Retaining order against defendants made perpetual."

Wm. L. Poe vs Ella Colby, adm'x—Settled and paid. In the matter of the examination of Notaries Public, John Meharg appointed as such examiner. Arvin Quinn vs Mary C. Holden et al—Gideon Seymour appointed guardian ad litem for Nellie E. and Myra A. Bradley."

CASES CONTINUED. Caroline A. Fuller vs The Connorton Valley Ry Company. Hannah M. Whitney vs Lucius E. Whitney et al. David Hay vs M. A. Kneeland et al. Josephine Monahan vs Elizabeth Van Horn et al. Morgan Root & Co vs Christian L. Link et al. Joseph Horne & Co vs Christian L. Link. Fred's Green vs Daniel Boelter. George N. Ruggles et al vs Michael R. Ward.

CRIMINAL DOCKET. State vs Lucian Wright—Indictment for an affray; plea, guilty. Fined \$25 and costs, to stand committed until paid. State vs Henry Bartholt—Indictment